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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515-1317

April 30, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Construction of Community Center and Expansion of Library at East Dubuque District Library in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is East Dubuque District Library, located at 122 Wisconsin Ave. East Dubuque, IL 61025.

This funding will be used for the construction of a community center to serve the growing needs of the community, providing meeting and programming spaces for patrons, area residents, visitors, organizations, and social service agencies and their clients.

The East Dubuque District Library already hosts and facilitates meetings for seventeen community organizations and social service agencies. This expansion is essential to continue serving their needs to provide safety, economic assistance, protection from domestic and sexual abuse, and solutions to other inequities. Safe and ample spaces are also needed for clients, for library patrons, and for community gatherings. This has been a recognized need for over ten years and is a priority for the region, as evidenced by the letters of support. With this funding, this long-awaited facility can come to fruition.

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I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Respectfully,

Cheri Bustos

Member of Congress

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